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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director (Support)

SUBJECT: Task Force Operations Familiarization Training Program,  
Class One

1. This memorandum is for information only.

2. While the final critiques have not been received and studied, I have been informed that the preliminary critiques on the task force training program, class one, have clearly indicated the basic objectives of this effort had been substantially realized. These objectives were, as pertaining to support:

a. To exercise command relationships and responsibilities between the clandestine Services and Support Services as well as the intra-aspects thereof.

b. To provide field training for both operational and support personnel in task force operations.

c. To test the support capabilities of the concerned support components in a task force situation.

d. To determine the readiness of participating members of the Contingency Force to engage in field task force operations.

3. When consideration is given to the pressure of current requirements and the consequent shortage of personnel and the fact that this has been our initial effort to war-game a [redacted] situation, I am more than pleased to learn of the outcome of this effort. Though I have been assured that this exercise will be studied further by all concerned before another course is undertaken, I wish to take this opportunity to express my appreciation for your personal support and the high degree of proficiency and dedication demonstrated by all the DD/S participants.

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